



Winter Newsletter



A PUBLICATION FOR THE FRIENDS OF LUKE'S HOUSE CLINIC

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Operating in Solidarity

Luke's House offers 100% free medical care to everyone who walks through our door.

We believe healthcare is a human right, and that no one should worry about access to medical care.

The fall of 2017 was a special time at Luke's House. In September, many of our medical student volunteers returned from their summer breaks to begin classes again and volunteer at the clinic. While our clinic was fully staffed throughout the summer by Ochsner third- and fourth-year medical students and LSU and Tulane medical students from various years, it was exciting to see so many familiar faces return and volunteer with us.

We also welcomed new first-year students from LSU and Tulane, all excited and anxious to begin volunteering at Luke's House. For many of these students, Luke's House is the first place they will see a patient in a clinical setting. It takes our Program Director, Rebecca Tamayo, and our volunteer physicians and nurses a little bit to get the new students caught up to speed, but they are quick learners who are eager to take care of people who need it.

November 13 marked the 10-year anniversary of Luke's House! We are so grateful for all of our friends, volunteers, and community members who were able to make it out to the celebration at City Park with us. We feel so lucky to be supported by such a large group of caring individuals who all believe in the power of volunteerism and the importance of health access.

In an exciting addition, during the week of our 10-year anniversary, we signed a five-year lease with the City of New Orleans to renovate and operate the old Edna Pilsbury building at 2222 Simon Bolivar Avenue. This location is a perfect fit for us, as it is only two blocks away from our current location. We will have a dozen exam rooms to see patients, offer health education and patient navigation services, and expand our footprint. We will share the space with the City's clinic, Healthcare for the Homeless. With expanded services and a new building comes new opportunities for Luke's House. It also comes with an increased need for community support through volunteers and donations. If you know of any medical assistants, nurses, eye doctors, or general doctors, please share our story. We will need plenty more volunteers to meet the needs of our expanded community services. If you are unable to volunteer, but would like to give a donation to support our services, we graciously ask you to join our mission and make a gift of healing of \$50, \$100, or whatever you can afford. Your support goes a long way to making sure everyone in New Orleans has access to medical care, laboratory tests, prescriptions, and glasses.

Sending you and your loved ones warm holiday wishes,
Adam Bradley
Executive Director

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via Website, Facebook, or Mail

Luke's House

10 Years

A Clinic for Healing & Hope



Letter from the Luke's House Board Chair:

It is amazing what a determined group of volunteers and an Executive Director can do. When I first started volunteering at Luke's House many years ago, I was amazed that a whole clinic could be stashed in a small closet. When it "popped up" it had four exam rooms, a waiting area, check in and check out areas, a place for fellowship, and a room for clothes and toiletries. Every Tuesday at Mount Zion United Methodist Church's fellowship hall this amazing group of volunteers provided medical and psychiatric care; a hot meal; clothes and necessities for those with life challenges; fellowship and of course some snacks for later. With support from Mount Zion, Rayne Memorial United Methodist Church, LSU residency program and countless volunteers this ministry has blossomed into an indispensable resource to the community.



Fast forward 10 years and that little pop-up clinic has spent the last several years in its own dedicated space in a tiny shotgun house in Central City. Providing multiple nights each month of care to those who need it most. And now even beyond the walls of our clinic to those experiencing homelessness with the new street medicine program. Bringing care to where people are. But the most exciting news for 2018 is that Luke's House will be moving into a legitimate clinic space with 12 real exam rooms, education space and offices to house our programs.



This year we will see over 800 people for care and **our goal is to double that for 2018**. Of course, none of this can be done without our two-outstanding staff and all those who have selflessly volunteered and supported Luke's House with their prayers, presence, gifts, and service. **To you all, we say thank you.** If you feel called to help in any way please let us know! We would love to have you join us in our mission to be a place of hope and healing. Help us open a door to long-term healthcare solutions for any person who walks in our clinic.

Sincerely,
James Comeaux, LCSW
Board Chair
Luke's House Clinic



Luke's House Board of Directors at the 10-year anniversary celebration on November 12, 2017.



A Community of healing and hope



Community Support

Give With Amazon



Luke's House Clinic provides over 800 people each year with free medical care, eye exams, and glasses to people who need them most. **Here is your gift in action:**

\$25 - ONE Pair of glasses & eye exam

\$50 - ONE Women's clinic visit including a pap smear & HPV test

\$100 - FIVE patients receive prescription assistance

\$250 - FORTY patients get full lab tests run



Dr. Area and medical students discussing a patient.



Street Medicine volunteers riding in the van.

Grants Awarded

\$10,000- Women's Wednesday Clinic (La Societe Des Dames Hospitalieres Donor Advised Fund)

\$1,500- Prescription Assistance program (Cox Charities Community Investment)

Save the Date

March 23, 2018
7:00 PM to 10:00 PM



Luke's House Staff

Adam Bradley, Executive Director
Rebecca Tamayo, Program Director

Luke's House Board

James Comeaux, Board Chair
Maureen Davis, Vice Chair
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Happy Holidays
From Luke's House!



Luke's House

a clinic for healing and hope

Hours of Operation

Clinic

Tuesday & Thursday
5:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Office

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

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